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SUBJECT: RAWIRI/TSIBA VISIT TO U.S.

REF: LIBREVILLE 1315

1. FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK PLANNING LUNCHEON NEW YORK CITY NOON, SEPTEMBER 12, HONORING RAWIRI AND TSIBA. GUESTS TO INCLUDE ABOUT 12 U.S. BUSINESSMEN INTERESTED GABON.

2. FNCB CABLED ABOVE INFO TO ITS GABON REP, VERNE STOLEN,

AT HOTEL INTERCONTINENTAL, LIBREVILLE, ASKING HIM TO ADVISE WHETHER OR NOT RAWIRI AND TSIBAH CAN ATTEND LUNCHEON THAT DATE.

3. EMBASSY REQUESTED ASK STOLEN IF HE RECEIVED FNCB CABLE AND NOTIFY DEPARTMENT AND COMMERCE OF RAWIRI/TSIBAH RESPONSE. EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO TRY DETERMINE ANY OTHER ARRANGEMENTS GOING PLANNING RE U.S. VISIT. IT WOULD BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PARTICULARLY HELPFUL TO KNOW ASAP ANTICIPATED DURATION OF

VISIT.

4. FYI: COMMERCE WILL MONITOR AND GUIDE, AS APPROPRIATE, RAWIRI/TSIBAH ITINERARY TO ENSURE THAT ALL KEY U.S. FIRMS SERIOUSLY INTERESTED SANTA CLARA POST, TRANSGABON AND GRAND PON0ARA HAVE ADEQUATE EXPOSURE TO THESE OFFICIALS.

THIS EFFORT ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE GOG INVOLVEMENT WITH BEST FIRMS FOR JOB, AS WELL AS OPTIMUM U.S. EFFORT TO WIN CONTRACTS AT STAKE. END FYI. INGERSOLL

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